

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Cornerstone Ceremony

November 3, 1959

I. ARRIVAL OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS SEATED ON THE PLATFORM

11:15 A.M.

The Director of Central Intelligence, Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, and distinguished guests who are to be seated on the speakers' platform, will arrive at the east entrance where they will be met by the Chairman of the Reception Committee (Mr. Houston) and escorted to the speakers' platform.

II. ARRIVAL OF THE PRESIDENT

11:30 A.M.

The President will arrive at the east entrance where he will be greeted by the Director. After the greeting, the President and the Director will stand at attention while the band plays "Ruffles and Flourishes." Upon the conclusion of "Ruffles and Flourishes", the band will play "Hail to the Chief." As the music starts, the Director will escort the President to the speakers' platform.

III. PROGRAM

Invocation

After the distinguished guests have reached their proper seats on the speakers' platform, the Director will signal the Reverend Frederick Brown Harris, Chaplain of the Senate, to come forward and offer the Invocation. At the conclusion of the Invoca-

tion, the Chaplain will return to his seat and the Director will step up to the rostrum to deliver his remarks. At the conclusion of his remarks, he will introduce the President. (It is anticipated that the President will make a few remarks.) The Director will then escort the President to the Cornerstone block. The Deputy Director will escort the other honored guests from the platform and will arrange groupings to the left down stage along the east wall (facing the audience) where the honored guests can watch the ceremonies without blocking the view of the audience.

IV. LAYING OF THE CORNERSTONE

The President and the Director will stand to the east end of the block, facing the television cameras. The Director's Assistant will stand west of a table located on the west end of the block. After the distinguished guests have assumed their proper positions, the Assistant will hand the metal document box to the Director who will deposit it in the block repository (the box will be on the table). The Assistant will then take the silver trowel from on top of the table and hand it to the President. A mason will step forward with the mortar. The President will take the mortar and spread it on the block. He will then return the trowel to the Assistant who will return it to the table. The Assistant will hand a second trowel, one of the five silver trowels remaining on the table, to the President who will repeat the mortar spreading process. This trowel, as well as all subsequent trowels, will be returned to the Assistant.

The Director will then be given a trowel by the Assistant and he will dip it into the mortar and spread mortar on the block. There are three remaining trowels on the table and the Director may continue to use them as he wishes with each trowel being

handed to him by the Assistant and returned by the Director to the Assistant.

A mason will spread the mortar to the correct depth and the stone will be lowered under the direction of Mr. Floete, General Services Administrator. The President and the Director will place their hands on the stone for symbolic setting.

At the conclusion of this ceremony, the Director will signal Dr. Harris to step forward to the public address microphone and offer the Benediction. At the conclusion of the Benediction, the "National Anthem" will be played. The President will then depart. The distinguished guests will be escorted to the east entrance where their automobiles will be directed to pick them up.